



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 537

LCO No. 3611

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRACTICE OF OPTICIANRY IN THE STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Public
2 Health, in consultation with the Commissioner of Consumer
3 Protection, shall study the feasibility of allowing licensed opticians to
4 provide optical services beyond the confines of a registered optical
5 establishment, office or store. Such study shall minimally examine the
6 feasibility of allowing licensed opticians to provide in-home services
7 for the benefit of persons who are confronted with transportation
8 barriers when accessing health care services. On or before January 1,
9 2012, the Commissioner of Public Health shall report, in accordance
10 with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint
11 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
12 matters relating to public health on the results of such study.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioner of Public Health to study the feasibility of allowing licensed opticians to engage in their profession beyond the confines of a registered optical establishment, office or store.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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